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RULES AND ORDERS

TO BE OBSERVED IN THE

House of Representatives,

OF THE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

FOR THE YEAR

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CHAPTER I.

Of the Duties and Powers of the Speaker.

I.

THE Speaker shall take the Chair every day at the hour to which the House have adjourned; shall call the Members to order; and on the appearance of a quorum shall proceed to business, by causing the journal of the preceding day to be read.

II.

He shall preserve decorum and order; may speak to points of order, in preference to other Members, and shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the House, on motion regularly seconded.

III.

He shall declare all votes, either in the affirmative or negative, as shall appear to him to be true; but if any one member doubts the vote, the Speak-

er shall order a return of the House, with the number voting in favour of the question, and declare the result.

IV.

He shall rise to put a question, or address the House, but may read sitting.

V.

In all cases of ballot the Speaker may vote; in other cases he shall not, unless the House be equally divided, in which case his vote shall decide the question.

VI.

When the House shall determine to go into a Committee of the whole House, the Speaker shall appoint the Member who shall take the Chair.

VII.

When any Member shall demand a question to be determined by yeas and nays, the Speaker shall take the sense of the House in that manner; provided one third of the members present are in favour of it.

VIII.

He shall propound all questions, in the order they were moved, unless the subsequent motion be previous in its nature, or except in naming sums, and fixing times, the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

IX.

After a motion being seconded, is stated or read by the Speaker, it shall be deemed to be in possession of the House, and shall be disposed of by vote of the House, but the mover may withdraw it at any time before a decision or amendment.

X.

When a question is under debate, the Speaker shall receive no motion, unless to amend, divide, or commit it, or for the previous question, or to postpone it to a certain day, or to adjourn.

XI.

He shall consider a motion to adjourn as always first in order, and it shall be decided without debate.

XII.

He shall put the previous question in the following form, "*Shall the main question be now put?*" and all amendment or further debate of the main question shall be suspended until the previous question be decided; and the previous question shall not be put unless thirty-one members are in favour of it.

XIII.

When two or more Members happen to rise at once, the Speaker shall name the Member who is first to speak.

XIV.

All committees, except standing committees, or such as the House shall, from time to time, determine to select by ballot, shall be nominated by the Speaker, unless ten Members shall be in favour of a nomination by the House, in which case the nomination shall be made by the House.

CHAPTER II.

On the Duties, Rights and Decorum of the Members.

I.

Every seat which shall be drawn by any Member, in person, at the beginning of any session, shall be his seat during that session, unless he shall have leave of the Speaker to change it.

II.

No person shall sit at the Table, except the Speaker and Clerk.

III.

No Member shall speak out of his place, without leave of the Speaker, nor without first rising up and addressing the Speaker; and he shall sit down as soon as he has done speaking.

IV.

No Member speaking shall be interrupted by another, but by rising up to call to order, or to correct a mistake.

V.

No Member shall speak more than twice to one question, without first obtaining leave of the House, nor more than once, until the other Members, who have not spoken, shall speak, if they desire it.

VI.

When any Member shall make a motion, and such motion shall be seconded by another, the same shall be received and considered by the House, and not otherwise; and no Member shall be permitted to lay a motion in writing on the table, until he has read the same in his place, and the same has been seconded; and in all cases where a Member wishes to introduce a *new Bill* or *Resolve* of a public nature, he shall first rise and state the subject, and move for a committee, who shall be authorized to report by bill, or otherwise.

VII.

No Member shall question a vote, until the Speaker has declared it to be a vote, or not.

VIII.

No Member shall nominate more than one person, for one Committee, provided the person nominated by him be chosen.

IX.

No vote shall be reconsidered unless there be as many Members in the House at the time the motion for a reconsideration is made, as there were when the vote passed, provided a return of the House is called for before the question for the reconsideration is put; which question shall not be put without one day's previous notice; nor shall more than one motion for the reconsideration of any one question be sustained during the same session.

X.

No Member shall be obliged to be on more than two committees at the same time, nor Chairman of more than one.

XI.

No Member shall be permitted to stand up, to the interruption of another, while any Member is speaking, or pass between the Speaker of the House, and the person speaking.

XII.

Every Member shall keep an account of his own attendance and travel, and deliver the same to the Clerk, or to the Committee appointed to make up the pay roll, and on failure thereof shall not be made up in the roll.

XIII.

When the galleries shall, at any time, be ordered to be cleared or shut, the matter which may occasion such order shall be kept secret by each Member, until the House shall order such injunction of secrecy to be taken off.

XIV.

When a vote is declared by the Speaker, and any Member rises to doubt the vote, the House shall be returned, and the vote made certain, without any further debate upon the question.

XV.

Every Member who shall neglect to give his attendance in the House for more than six days after the sessions commence, shall, on making his appearance therein, be held to render the reason of such neglect, and in case the reason assigned,

shall be deemed by the House sufficient, such Member shall be entitled to receive pay for his travel, and not otherwise; and no Member shall be absent more than two days, without leave of the House; and no leave of absence shall avail any Member who retains his seat more than five days from the time the same was obtained.

XVI.

When any Member shall be guilty of the breach of either of the Rules and Orders of the House, and the House has determined he has so transgressed, he shall not be allowed to speak or vote, until he has made satisfaction, unless by way of excuse for the same.

XVII.

No Member shall be permitted to vote in any question where his private right is immediately concerned distinct from the public interest.

XVIII.

Every Member who shall be in the House when a question is put, where he is not excluded by interest, shall give his vote, unless the House for special reasons shall excuse him.

XIX.

Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if the Speaker direct it.

XX.

On a previous question, no Member shall speak more than once, without leave.

XXI.

A motion for commitment, until it is decided, shall preclude all amendment of the main question.

XXII.

Motions and reports may be committed, or recommitted, at the pleasure of the House.

XXIII.

No new motion or proposition shall be admitted, under colour of amendment, as a substitute for the motion or question under debate.

XXIV.

When the reading of a paper is called for, which had been before read to the House, and the same

is objected to by any Member, it shall be determined by a vote of the House.

XXV.

The unfinished business in which the House was engaged, at the time of the last adjournment, shall have the preference in the orders of the day, and no motion on any other business shall be received, without special leave of the House, until the former is disposed of.

XXVI.

No Rule or Order of the House shall be dispensed with, unless two thirds of the Members present shall consent thereto.

XXVII.

When a vote is doubted, the Members for or against the question, when called on by the Speaker, shall rise and stand uncovered till they are counted.

CHAPTER III.

Of the Duties of Monitors.

I.

One Monitor shall be appointed for each *division* of the House, whose duty it shall be, to see the due observance of the Orders of the House, and on demand of the Speaker, to return the number of votes and Members in their respective divisions, and two others shall be appointed to keep order on the floor of the House.

II.

If any Member shall transgress any of the Rules or Orders of the House, and persist therein, after being notified thereof by any Monitor, it shall be the duty of such Monitor to give information thereof to the House.

III.

In case the Speaker shall be absent at the hour to which the House was adjourned, one of the Monitors shall call the House to order, and the Clerk shall preside.

CHAPTER IV.

Of Petitions, Memorials, &c.

I.

All petitions, memorials, and other papers, addressed to the House, shall be presented by the Speaker, or by a Member, in his place, and shall be read by the Speaker, Clerk, or such other person as the Speaker may request, and shall be taken up in the order they were presented, unless where the House shall otherwise direct.

II.

No petition shall be sustained for a re-hearing in any Court of Law, where the reason assigned is the discovery of further evidence, unless the petitioner can shew that he has lost his cause for want of such evidence, which it is now in his power to procure.

III.

No petition shall be sustained when the petitioner can have a fair trial at common law.

IV.

No petition shall be sustained where it is necessary to notify the adverse party to appear, unless the petitioner shall produce probable evidence that the prayer of his petition ought to be granted.

CHAPTER V.

Of Bills, Resolutions, and Grants.

I.

No grant of monies shall be made to any of the Civil Officers of the Government, or the Officers of Harvard College, without a time not less than one day shall be assigned therefor.

II.

No resolution shall pass for a grant of money, without being read on two several days.

III.

No engrossed bill shall be sent to the Senate, without notice thereof being given to the House by the Speaker.

IV.

No bill shall pass to be engrossed without being read on three several days, the second and third of which to be assigned by the House.

V.

No private act or resolve shall pass the House, that shall affect the character or property of any individual, unless such individual be first notified thereof.

VI.

All bills in their third reading, shall be committed to the Standing Committee on bills in the third reading, to be by them examined, corrected, and so reported to the House.

VII.

All engrossed bills shall be committed to the Standing Committee on engrossed bills, to be strictly examined; and if found by them to be truly and rightly engrossed, they shall so report to the House, and the same shall be passed to be enacted without any further reading, unless on motion of any Member, a majority of the House shall be in favour of reading the same as engrossed; and if any bill be found by the Committee to

be inaccurately engrossed, they shall hand the same to the Engrossing Clerk to be corrected, giving notice thereof to the House.

CHAPTER VI.

Of Committees, and their General Duties.

I.

The following Standing Committees shall be appointed, at the commencement of the May session, either by ballot or nomination, as the House shall determine, viz.

A Committee on Elections ;
A Committee on Accounts ;
A Committee on Finance ;
A Committee on New Trials ;
A Committee on Incorporation of Towns ;
A Committee on Incorporation of Parishes, and other Religious Societies ;
A Committee on Turnpike Roads and Bridges ;
A Committee on the Interior Fisheries ;
A Committee on Bills in the third reading ;
A Committee on Engrossed Bills ;
A Committee on the subject of Eastern Lands.

II.

No Committee shall sit during the sitting of the House, without special leave.

III.

In the choice of all Standing Committees, or other elections by ballot of the House, a previous nomination list shall be exposed in some conspicuous part of the House, and no vote shall be counted but for some person on such list, and a time shall be assigned for such election, which shall be at least one day previous thereto.

IV.

In all elections, by ballot of Committees of the House, the person having the highest number of votes shall act as Chairman.

V.

No Chairman of any Committee shall leave the House for more than one day, without permission first obtained for that purpose ; and all papers relative to any business before the House, shall be left with the Clerk, by any Member that may obtain leave of absence, and may have any such papers in his possession.

VI.

The Chairman of every Committee, other than of the Standing Committees, who shall have business referred to them, shall make report of their doings therein, within four days after their appointment.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT

OF THE

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

FOR THE YEAR 1812—13.

HIS EXCELLENCY

CALEB STRONG, ESQ.

GOVERNOR.

HIS HONOR

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, ESQ.

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

COUNCIL.

Hon. OLIVER FISKE,
JOHN BROOKS,
ALEXANDER RICE,
WILLIAM PRESCOTT,
SAMUEL FALES,
MATTHEW COBB,
DAVID COBB,
DANIEL DEWEY,
WILLIAM DAVIS.

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County of Suffolk,	Hon. Harrison G. Otis, John Phillips, Peter C. Brooks, John Welles, Israel Thorndike.
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Hon. TIMOTHY BIGELOW,

SPEAKER.

SUFFOLK.

Boston.

William Smith,
Samuel Cobb,
William Brown,
Jonathan Hunewell,
Benjamin Russell,
Benjamin Whitman,
Charles Davis,
James Robinson,
William Hammatt,
John Parker,
Isaac P. Davis,
Charles Jackson,
Wm. H. Sumner,
Ephraim Thayer,
Josiah Knapp,
Benjamin Weld,
Oliver Keating
Nathan Webb,
Daniel Messinger,
George G. Lee,
William Porter,
John May,

Chelsea.

Boston.

Samuel M. Thayer,
George Blanchard,
Nathaniel Curtis,
Richard Faxon,
Samuel Dunn,
John D. Howard,
Thatcher Goddard,
Lynde Walter,
Jonathan Loring,
Jonathan Whitney,
Samuel J. Prescott,
Lemuel Shaw,
Alexander Townsend
James Savage,
Joseph Peirce,
Andrew Sigourney,
Barzillai Holmes,
Joshua Ellis,
Thomas Barry,
Henry Sargent,
William Harris,
Joseph Tilden,
John Tewksbury.

ESSEX.

Salem,	Benjamin Pickman, jr.
	Samuel Putnam,
	Dudley L. Pickman,
	Benjamin Pierce,
	William Orne,
	Edward Brown,
	Amos Hovey,
	Ezekiel Savage,
	Samuel G. Derby,
	Robert Emery,
	Benjamin H. Hathorne,
	John Pickering,
	Ebenezer Secomb,
Marblehead,	John Bailey,
	Asa Hooper,
	Joshua Prentiss, jr.
	William Story,
	John G. Hooper,
	Richard Prince,
	James Smith,
Lynn & Lynnfield,	Aaron Breed,
	Oliver Fuller,
	Thompson Burrill,
	John L. Johnson,
	Asa T. Newhall,
Danvers,	John Mudge, jun.
	Samuel Page,
	Nathan Felton,
	Dennison Wallis,
Beverly,	James Foster,
	Thomas Davis,
	Abner Chapman,
	Isaac Ray,
	Robert Rantoul,
	Nathaniel Goodwin,
Wenham,	John Dodge,
Hamilton,	Robert Dodge,
Manchester,	David Colby,

Gloucester,	John Tucker,
	John Manning,
	Robert Elwell, jun.
	John Johnston,
	William Dane,
	Ebed Lincoln,
Ipswich,	Nathaniel Wade,
	Jonathan Cogswell, jr.
	Joseph Farley,
	Joseph Hodgkins,
Rowley,	Thomas Gage, jun.
	Jonathan Lambert,
Newbury,	Josiah Little,
	Silas Little,
	John Osgood,
	David Little,
	Stephen Hooper,
	Daniel Hale,
Newburyport,	Jonathan Gage,
	Stephen Howard,
	Ebenezer Gunnison,
	William B. Bannister,
	Isaac Adams,
	Isaac Stone,
	William Chase,
	Samuel L. Knap,
	Samuel Newman,
Bradford,	Thomas Savory,
	Jesse Kimball,
Boxford,	Parker Spafford,
Andover,	John Kneeland,
	John Cornish,
	Stephen Barker,
Middleton,	Asa How,
Topsfield,	Nathaniel Hammond,
Methuen,	Benjamin Osgood,
Haverhill,	David How,
Amesbury,	Nathan Long,
	Orlando Sargent,

Salisbury,	Samuel March,
	Jonathan Smith.

MIDDLESEX.

Charlestown,	Thomas Harris,
	Peter Tufts, jun.
	John Kettell,
	William Austin,
	Daniel Tufts,
Cambridge,	John Mellen,
	Samuel P. P. Fay,
	William Hilliard,
West Cambridge,	Thomas Russell,
Brighton,	Samuel W. Pomroy,
Malden,	Jonathan Oaks,
	Jonas Green,
Medford,	Timothy Bigelow,
	Nathaniel Hall,
Newton,	Samuel Murdock,
	Ebenezer Cheney,
Watertown,	Jonas White,
	Thomas Clark,
Waltham,	David Townsend,
Weston,	Isaac Fiske,
Lincoln,	Leonard Hoar,
Lexington,	James Brown,
Sudbury,	William Hunt,
East Sudbury,	Jacob Reeves,
Natick,	Abel Perry,
Sherburne,	Calvin Sanger,
Holliston,	Timothy Rockwood,
Hopkinton,	Moses Chamberlain,
	Joseph Valentine,
Framingham,	John Fiske,
	John Trowbridge,
Marlboro',	John Loring,
	Daniel Brigham,
Stow & Boxboro',	Augustus Tower,
Concord,	John White,
	Benjamin Prescott, jr.

Bedford,	Thompson Bacon,
Burlington,	John Walker,
Woburn,	Sylvanus Plympton,
	John Wade,
Stoneham,	John H. Stevens,
Reading,	Timothy Wakefield,
	Daniel Flint,
S. Reading,	John Hart,
Wilmington,	Samuel Eames,
Billerica,	Josiah Crosby, jun.
	Joseph Locke,
Tewksbury,	Jesse Trull,
Chelmsford,	Amos Whitney,
Carlisle,	Timothy Heald,
Westford,	Thomas Fletcher,
	Jesse Minot,
Acton,	Stevens Hayward,
Littleton,	Edmund Foster,
Groton,	Joseph Moors,
	Luther Lawrence,
Dracut,	Solomon Osgood,
Dunstable,	Edmund Page,
Tyngsboro'	Robert Brinley,
Shirley,	John Egerton,
Pepperell,	Nehemiah Jewett, jr.
Townsend,	Samuel Brooks.
Ashby,	

NORFOLK.

Roxbury,	Jacob Weld,
	Abijah Draper,
	Lemuel Lebarron,
	Nathaniel S. Prentiss,
	Ebenezer Brewer,
Dorchester,	James Humphrey,
	John Capen,
	William Pope,
	Stephen Sharp,
Brookline,	William Pierce,
Milton,	

	Asaph Churchill,
Quincy,	Benjamin Beal,
	Thomas Greenleaf,
Braintree,	Minot Thayer,
Weymouth,	Christopher Webb,
	John Vinson, jun.
Cohasset,	Thomas Lothrop,
Needham,	Daniel Ware,
Dedham,	John Endicot,
	Samuel H. Dean,
	Jonathan Richards,
Medfield & Dover,	Daniel Adams,
Medway,	Nathaniel Lovell,
Bellingham,	John Bates,
Franklin,	Joseph Bacon,
	Phineas Ware,
Wrentham,	Jairus Ware,
	James Mann,
	Samuel Druce,
Walpole,	Daniel Kingsbury,
Foxboro'	Elias Nason,
Sharon,	Enoch Hewins,
Stoughton,	Samuel Talbot,
Randolph,	Micah White,
	Zenas French,
Canton,	Lemuel Whiting,
	Abel Wentworth.

PLYMOUTH.

Plymouth,	Nathaniel Spooner,
	Barnabas Hedge, jun.
	Abner Bartlett,
	Joseph Bartlett, 3d.
	Benjamin Bramhall,
Kingston,	John Thomas,
Duxbury,	George Partridge,
	Judah Alden,
Marshfield,	Jotham Tilden,
Pembroke,	Kilborn Whitman,

Bridgewater,	Nahum Mitchell,
	William Baylies,
	Ezra Kingman,
	Gideon Howard,
	Daniel Crane,
	Caleb Cary,
Middleboro',	Levi Peirce,
	Thomas Weston,
	Martin Keith,
	Calvin Pratt,
	Joseph Barker,
Rochester,	Thomas Basset,
	Gideon Bastow, jr.
	Elijah Willis,
	Lemuel Winslow,
Wareham,	Jeremiah Bumpus,
Carver,	Benjamin Ellis,
Plympton,	Elijah Bisbe,
Halifax,	Zebadiah Thompson,
Abington,	Nathan Gurney, jr.
	James Bates,
Hanover,	Turner Stetson,
Scituate,	Elijah Turner,
	Hayward Peirce,
	Cushing Otis,
Hingham,	Jonathan Cushing,
	Thomas Fearing,
	Jotham Lincoln, jr.
	Samuel Loring.
Hull,	

BRISTOL.

Taunton,	James Sproat,
	Nicholas Tillinghast,
	Samuel Crocker,
	Nathaniel Leonard,
	Josiah King,
	Horatio Leonard,
Raynham,	Calvin Brett,
Eastown,	John Tinkham,

Norton,	Brian Hall,
	Samuel Morey,
Mansfield,	Solomon Pratt,
Attleboro',	Joel Read,
	John Richardson,
	Benjamin Bolkom,
Rehoboth,	Samuel Bliss,
	Hezekiah Martin,
	Joseph Wheaton,
Seekonk,	Peter Hunt,
	Oliver Starkweather,
Dighton,	George Walker,
	Josiah Wardwell,
Swansea,	Daniel Hale,
	Benanuel Marvel,
Somerset,	David Anthony,
Berkley,	Apollos Tobey,
Freetown,	William Rounsevelle,
	Robert Strobridge,
Troy,	Robert Miller,
West Port,	Abner Brownell,
	Sylvester Brownell,
	Abner B. Gifford,
Dartmouth,	Ephraim Tripp,
	David Thatcher,
	Zadock Maxfield,
	Stephen Barker,
New Bedford,	Gamaliel Bryant,
	Jireh Swift, jr.
	James Washburn,
	John Mason Williams,
Fairhaven,	John Hawes,
	Nicholas Davis, jr.
	Joseph Tripp.

BARNSTABLE.

Barnstable,	Naler Crocker,
	Nathaniel Jenkins,
	Lemuel Snow,
	William Lewis,

Sandwich, Peter Nye,
Thomas H. Tobey,
Benjamin Burgess,

Falmouth, Braddock Dimmick,
Thomas Fish, jr.
Shubael Lawrence,

Yarmouth, John Eldredge,
James Crowell,

Dennis, Judah Paddock,
S[illegible]l Chase,

Harwich [illegible]in Bangs,
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Brewster, [illegible]s,
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Worcest [illegible]ncoln,
[illegible]illiam Eaton,
Nathan White,

Leicester, Austin Flint,

Norton,	Brian Hall,
	Samuel Morey,
Mansfield,	Solomon Pratt,
Attleboro',	Joel Read,
	John Richardson,
	Benjamin Bolkom,
Rehoboth,	Sam[illegible]liss,
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	Starkweather,
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West [illegible]	
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Fairhave	
	[illegible]avis, jr.
	[illegible]ph Tripp.

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Falmouth,	Braddock Dimmick,
	Thomas Fish, jr.
	Shubael Lawrence,
Yarmouth,	John Eldredge,
	James Crowell,
Dennis,	Judah Paddock,
	Samuel Chase,
Harwich,	Benjamin Bangs,
	Eli Small,
Brewster,	Isaac Clark,
Chatham,	Richard Sears,
Orleans,	Jonathan Bascom,
Eastham,	John Doane,
Wellfleet,	Beriah Higgins,
Truro,	
Provincetown,	Daniel Pease.

DUKES COUNTY.

Edgartown,	Timothy Daggett,
Tisbury,	
Chilmark,	Robert Hillman.

NANTUCKET.

Nantucket,	Micajah Coffin,
	Shubael Coffin,
	Archelaus Hammond,
	Micajah Gardner,
	Jedediah Fitch,
	George Cannon,
	Obadiah Folger,
	Coffin Whippey,
	Simeon Coleman.

WORCESTER.

Worcester,	Abraham Lincoln,
	William Eaton,
	Nathan White,
Leicester,	Austin Flint,

Spencer,	Jonas Muzzy,
	Phineas Jones,
Brookfield,	Oliver Crosby,
	Elisha Hammond,
	Simeon Draper,
N. Brookfield,	Ezra Batcheller,
Western,	Joseph Field,
Sturbridge,	Gershom Plimpton,
	Zenas L. Leonard,
Charlton,	Thaddeus Marble,
	Ephraim Willard,
	William P. Rider,
Dudley,	Aaron Tufts,
	Moses Healy,
Douglas,	Benjamin Dudley,
Uxbridge,	Benjamin Adams,
	Samuel Read,
Northbridge,	Adolphus Spring,
Mendon,	Joseph Adams,
	Elijah Thayer,
Milford,	Samuel Jones,
Upton,	Ezra Wood, jr.
Grafton,	Joshua Harrington,
Sutton,	Josiah Stiles,
	Jonas Sibley,
	Darius Russell,
Oxford,	Abijah Davis,
Ward,	
Shrewsbury,	Vashni Hemenway,
Westboro',	Simeon Bellows,
Southboro',	Willard Newton,
Northboro',	James Keyes,
Boylston,	Jonathan Bond,
W. Boylston,	Barnabas Davis,
Lancaster,	Jonas Lane,
	Jacob Fisher,
Harvard,	Reuben Whitcomb,
	Jonathan Sawyer,

Bolton,	Stephen P. Gardner,
Berlin,	Henry Powers,
Sterling,	Samuel Sawyer,
	James Wilder,
Princeton,	John Dana,
Holden,	William Drury,
Rutland,	Jonas Howe, jr.
Oakham,	Joel Jones,
Paxton,	Nathaniel Crocker,
New Braintree,	Joseph Bowman, jr.
Hardwick,	Timothy Paige,
	Jeduthun Spooner,
Barre,	Samuel Lee, jr.
	Nathaniel Jones,
Hubbardston,	Ephraim Allen,
Petersham,	Hutchins Hapgood,
	Joseph Brown,
Leominster,	David Wilder, jr.
	Benjamin Perkins,
Lunenburgh,	Thomas Brooks,
Fitchburgh,	Samuel Gibson,
	Paul Wetherbee,
Westminster,	Jonas Whitney,
	Abel Wood,
Gardner,	Aaron Wood,
Ashburnham,	Joseph Jewett,
Winchendon,	Samuel Prentiss,
Royalston,	Joseph Estabrook,
Templeton,	John W. Stiles,
Athol,	James Humphreys,
Gerry,	Ithamar Ward,
Dana,	Nathaniel Williams.

HAMPDEN.

	Moses Chapin,
Springfield,	Edmund Dwight,
	William Sheldon,
	Ethan Ely,
Longmeadow,	
Wilbraham,	

Monson,	Abner Brown,
	Stephen Warriner,
Brimfield,	Stephen Pynchon,
	Philemon Warren,
Holland and S. Brimfield,	William Putnam,
Ludlow,	Ely Fuller,
Palmer,	Jesse King,
W. Springfield,	Charles Ball,
	James Kent,
	John Porter,
	Horace Flower,
Westfield,	Benjamin Hastings,
	Frederick Fowler,
	Azariah Moseley,
Southwick,	Reuben Clark,
	Shubael Stiles,
Granville,	John Phelps,
	Asa Seymour,
Tolland,	Thomas Hamilton,
Blandford,	Alanson Knox,
	Solomon Noble,
Chester,	Sylvester Emmons,
	John N. Parmenter,
Montgomery,	Aaron Parks.
Russell,	

HAMPSHIRE.

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	Elijah H. Mills,
	Jonathan H. Lyman,
	Cecil Dwight,
E. Hampton,	Thaddeus Clap,
S. Hampton,	Luther Edwards,
W. Hampton,	Silvester Judd,
Hatfield,	Samuel Partridge, 2d,
Williamsburgh,	John Wells,
Goshen,	Oliver Taylor,
Plainfield,	James Richards,

Cumington,	Peter Bryant,
Worthington,	Jonathan Brewster,
	Samuel Howe,
Chesterfield,	Oliver Edwards,
Norwich,	Aaron Hall,
Middlefield,	David Mack,
Hadley,	Samuel Porter,
South Hadley,	Ruggles Woodbridge,
Granby,	Eli Dickenson,
Belchertown,	Eliakim Phelps,
	Wright Bridgman,
	Phineas Blair,
Ware,	William Bowdoin,
Greenwich,	Robert Field,
Pelham,	
Amherst,	Ebenezer Mattoon,
	Simeon Strong,

FRANKLIN.

Northfield,	Medad Alexander,
Warwick,	Justus Russell,
Orange,	Josiah Cobb,
Montague,	Nathan Chenery,
Sunderland,	Nathaniel Smith,
Leverett,	Roswell Field,
Wendell,	Joshua Greene,
Shutesbury,	Josiah Beaman,
New Salem,	Varney Pearce,
	Benjamin Stacy,
Greenfield,	Elijah Alvord,
Gill,	James Gould,
Bernardston,	John Hamilton,
Leyden,	Hezekiah Newcomb,
Shelburne,	William Wells,
Colraine,	David Smith,
	Daniel Willis,
Heath,	Ephraim Hastings,
Rowe,	Solomon Reed,
Charlemont,	Sylvester Maxwell,

Hawley,	Thomas Longley,
Buckland,	Enos Pomroy,
Ashfield,	Henry Bassett,
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Conway,	John Williams,
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Deerfield,	Asa Stebbins,
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BERKSHIRE.

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	Elisha Lee,
New-Marlborough,	Edward Stevens,
	Elihu Ward,
Sandishfield and Southfield,	John Picket,
	Eliakim Hull,
Otis,	Roderick Norton,
Tyringham,	Joseph Wilson,
	Jared Thomson,
Great Barrington,	David Leavenworth,
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Egremont,	Andrew Bacon,
Alford,	Elijah Fitch,
Stockbridge,	John Whiton,
	Isaac Curtis,
W. Stockbridge,	Lemuel Moffit. jr.
Becket,	George Conant,
Washington,	Simon Henry,
Lee,	Joseph Whiton,
	Jared Bradley,
Lenox,	William P. Walker,
	Daniel Williams, jun.
Richmond,	Hugo Burghardt,
Hancock,	Rodman Hazard,
Pittsfield,	Timothy Childs,
	Oren Goodrich,
	Jonathan Allen,
	John B. Root,

Dalton,	Zenas Crane,
Hinsdale,	Artemas Thompson,
Peru,	Cyrus Stowell,
Windsor,	Noah Green,
New Ashford, &	Aaron Barnes,
Lanesborough,	Richard Whitman,
Cheshire,	John Leland,
	John Wells,
Adams,	Thomas Farnum,
	James Mason,
Williamstown,	Ambrose Hall,
	Samuel Kellogg,
Savoy,	Liscom Phillips.
Clarksburgh,	
Florida,	
Mt. Washington.	

YORK.

York,	Elihu Bragdon,
	Joseph Bradbury,
	Josiah Bragdon,
	Peter Weare,
Kittery,	Mark Adams,
	William T. Gerrish,
Elliot,	Samuel Leighton,
	John Hammond,
Wells,	John Storer,
	Joseph Moody,
	Nahum Morrill,
	John U. Parsons,
	John Bowen,
Arundel,	Eliphalet Perkins,
	Seth Burnham,
Biddeford,	Jeremiah Hill,
	Reuben H. Green,
Berwick,	Richard F. Cutts,
	Joseph Prime,
	William Hobbs,
	Micajah Currier,

	Joshua Chase,
Lebanon,	David Legro,
	Daniel Wood,
Sandford,	Sheldon Hobbs,
	Elisha Allen,
Alfred,	John Holmes,
Lyman,	John Low,
Hollis,	John Smith,
	Jesse Lock,
Waterborough,	Henry Hobbs,
Shapleigh,	Jeremiah Emery,
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Parsonsfield,	James Bradbury,
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Limerick,	Edmund Eastman,
Limington,	David Boyd,
	Walter Hagens,
Buxton,	Gibbens Elden,
	William Merrill,
	Benjamin Leavitt,
Saco,	Joseph Morrill,
	Benjamin Pike
	Edmund Moody.

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	Isaac Adams,
	Enoch Preble,
	Richard Hunewell,
	William Crabtree,
	James Neal,
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Windham,	Stephen Hall,
Gray,	Eliab Latham,
N. Yarmouth,	Ammi R. Mitchel,
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	Alford Richardson,
	Jeremiah Blanchard,
Pownal,	Edward Thompson,
Free Port,	Samuel Porter,
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Brunswick,	David Dunlap,
	Robert D. Dunning,
	Philip Owen,
Durham,	Secomb Jordan,
Harpswell,	Stephen Purrinton,
N. Gloucester,	David Nelson,
	Samuel Fessenden,
Pegypscot,	Joseph Roberts,
Poland,	Robert Snell,
Minot,	Jonathan Nash,
Raymond,	George Small,
Baldwin,	
Bridgetown,	Phineas Ingalls,
Harrison,	
Otisfield,	Daniel Holden.

LINCOLN.

Wiscasset,	Jeremiah Bailey,
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Woolwich,	Richard Harnden,
Dresden,	George Houdlette,
Alna,	Jeremiah Pearson,

Whitefield,	Joseph Bailey,
Jefferson,	Thomas Trask, jun.
New Castle,	Daniel Waters,
Edgecombe,	Thomas Cunningham,
Boothbay,	Joseph Mc. Cobb,
	William Maxwell Reed
Bristol,	James Drummond, jun.
	William Chamberlain,
	William Henry Little,
Nobleborough,	Ephraim Rollins,
Waldoborough,	Joseph Ludwig,
	Benjamin Brown,
	Isaac G. Reed,
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St. George,	Elijah Hall,
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Bowdoinham,	Timothy Merritt,
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KENNEBECK.

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Hallowell,	Thomas Agry,
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Gardiner,	Rufus Gay,
Monmouth,	Simon Dearborn,
	Abraham Morrill,
Greene,	John Daggett,
Leeds,	Daniel Lothrop,
Winthrop,	Samuel Wood,
	Issachar Snell,
Reedfield,	John Hubbard,
Wayne,	Joseph Lamson,
Fayette,	Ezra Fisk,
Mount Vernon,	John Hovey,
Belgrade,	Moses Carr,
Sydney,	Ambrose Howard,
	Ichabod Thomas,
Waterville,	Elnathan Sherwin,
Dearborn,	
Rome,	
Vienna,	
New Sharon,	Abel Baker,
Chesterville,	
Farmington,	Leonard Merry,
	Timothy Johnson,
Temple,	
Wilton,	Samuel Butterfield,
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Winslow,	Samuel Burrill,
Harlem,	
Malta,	
Fairfax,	Japhet C. Washburn,
Clinton,	Asher Hinds,
Unity,	Rufus Burnham.

OXFORD.

Paris,	Levi Hubbard,
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Hebron,	Alexander Greenwood,
Buckfield,	Benjamin Spaulding,
Turner,	Joseph Bonney,
Livermore,	Simeon Waters,
	William H. Brettun,
Hartford,	David Warren,
Sumner,	Simeon Barrett, jun.
Norway,	Joshua Smith,
Fryeburgh,	Joseph Chandler,
Hiram and *Brownfield*,	Joseph Howard,
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Porter,	
Lovell,	
Waterford,	Calvin Farrar,
Albany,	
Bethel,	Moses Mason,
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Dixfield,	
Rumford,	William Wheeler.
Gilead,	
Newry,	
East Andover,	

SOMERSET.

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Mercer,	
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Embden,	

Freeman,	
New-Portland,	
Madison,	Nathaniel Blackwell,
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Solon,	
Athens,	
Harmony,	
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Machias,	Ebenezer Inglee, Peter Talbot,
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Harrington,	
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